

(b) such a system adopted in the State would not be conducive to obtain better efficiency and

(c) any measures have so far been taken in this line?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*):

(a & b) It is understood that the Madras Government have not passed final orders on the scheme to start a school to train persons selected for clerical posts.

(c) No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): May I know, sir, whether the Madras orders are not to the effect that a training is necessary and to implement that order of the Government that a school is contemplated?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): Our information is that they have not passed final orders.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: സ്റ്റാഫ് സെലക്ഷൻ ബോർഡ് വരുന്നതിനുമുമ്പ് നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള ക്ലർക്കമാർ ഒക്കെ ഇൻ എഫിഷ്യൻറ് ആണോ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*):—Some might have proved inefficient. Most of them have proved efficient.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: സ്റ്റാഫ് സെലക്ഷൻ ബോർഡ് വരുന്നതിനുമുമ്പ് നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളവർക്ക് ഇങ്ങിനെ വല്ല സെന്ററുമുണ്ടായിരുന്നതോ?

രാമവർമ്മതമ്പുരാനെ: ഇല്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി: ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെണ്ടിൽ ടെസ്റ്റ് പാസ്സായിക്കൊള്ളണമെന്ന നിയമമില്ലേ?

രാമവർമ്മതമ്പുരാനെ: ടെസ്റ്റ് പാസ്സാകുന്നത് പ്രമോഷൻ കിട്ടുന്നതിനാണ്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി: പർമനൻറ് ആകണമെങ്കിൽ ടെസ്റ്റ് പാസ്സാകണമെന്നില്ലേ?

രാമവർമ്മതമ്പുരാനെ: അതുവേണ്ട.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): Is the Government aware that the Travancore Government has instituted a separate test for entry in the service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): We are not aware of it.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ടെസ്റ്റ് പാസ്സായാലെ ൪൦—൬൦ ഗ്രേഡ് കൊടുക്കുവാൻ പാടുള്ളവെന്നില്ലേ?

രാമവർമ്മതമ്പുരാനെ: അതല്ലേ പറഞ്ഞത്. പ്രമോഷൻ കിട്ടണമെങ്കിൽ ടെസ്റ്റ് പാസ്സാകണമെന്ന്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണമേനോൻ: ടെസ്റ്റ് പാസ്സായ ഒരാൾ ഇൻ എഫിഷ്യൻറ് പാസ്സാകാത്ത ഒരാൾ എഫിഷ്യൻറ്മാണെങ്കിൽ അവരിൽ ആക്കായിരിക്കും പ്രമോഷൻ കൊടുക്കുന്നത്?

രാമവർമ്മതമ്പുരാനെ: എഫിഷ്യൻറ് ആരോ ആ ആൾക്കു കൊടുക്കും. ആരും എഫിഷ്യൻറല്ലെങ്കിൽ ആ പോസ്റ്റ് വേക്കൻറായി വെക്കും.

STAFF SELECTION BOARD—CANDIDATES—VIVA VOCE EXAMINATION AND TRAINING FOR

33. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) is the Staff Selection Board conducting a viva voce examination in the selection of candidates for different posts as laid down in the rules framed by the Government;

(b) are the Government aware of the recent order of the Government of Madras for giving training in the particular branch for which Service Commission has selected persons after examining them?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*):

(a) Not ordinarily.

(b) It is understood that the Madras Government have appointed a special officer to organise a Scheme for the establishment of schools to train persons selected for clerical posts; but they have not passed final orders in the matter.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): What, Sir, is the object behind the rule that a viva voce examination may be conducted.

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Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): Where the Board considers it necessary to see the persons and interview them there is no objection to the Board for doing that.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): I am sorry, sir, my question has not been correctly understood. My question was what is the idea behind the rule that a viva voce examination if necessary may be conducted?

Mr. President: May I suggest to the Hon'ble Member that if he wants an answer this question should be directed to the authors of the rule. (*Laughter*). They don't say what was the intention for framing the rule in a particular matter.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): The rule has to be interpreted, sir, by the person who administer it.

Mr. President: Order, order. The Hon'ble Member may ask how the Board interprets that rule.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): In the light of the helpful suggestion given by the Chair, may I know, sir, how the Staff Selection Board has interpreted this rule?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): Sir, I answered that question by way of reply to the Hon'ble Member's previous supplementary question. Where the Board considers that a personal interview and questioning is necessary or desirable the Board is not prohibited from doing it.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): Is it not, sir, for the purpose of selecting the best candidate from a group belonging to a particular community to which that appointment has to go that provision has been made for viva voce?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): If the Board considers that a viva voce examination is necessary they can do so.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): May I know, sir, whether it is not for the purpose of selecting the best candidate from a particular group to which appointment should go that provision has been made for viva voce?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): I have answered the question. This is the way in which the Board is working ever since its constitution.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): Sir, I am not asking about the system of the working of the Board. My pointed question is whether the viva voce examination mentioned in rule No. 4 is not for the purpose of selecting the best candidate from a particular community to which that appointment has to go.

Mr. President: Order, order. That question has been answered. The Hon'ble Member cannot expect the Government to answer the question in words of his own choice. In substance, the question has already been answered.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): May I take it Sir, that the rule is for the purpose of selecting the best candidate from a community a viva voce examination should be conducted. Is that not the rule?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): No. Where the Board considers that a viva voce examination is useful or necessary the Board may do so.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): What is rule No. 4 of the rules framed by Government.

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): For selecting the best man the Board is at liberty, they are not prohibited from summoning and if they feel that they should have a personal interview with the candidate they are at liberty to question him.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): May I know, sir, whether that discretion, has been exercised in any one instance?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): In making certain classes of appointments we always call the man and ask a few questions.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakkancheri*): Under the provision of Rule No. 4 has there been, sir, one solitary instance at least of viva voce examination being conducted.

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): Several.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): May I know whether the Government has read the speech delivered by the Travancore Diwan regarding the tests for candidates wishing to enter the service, condensation, precis writing, etc.

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): I fear I missed it.

TOTAL NUMBER OF FRESH APPOINTMENTS MADE FROM EACH COMMUNITY— INCLUSION IN THE ADMINISTRATION REPORT

34. **Mr. K. R. Achuthan** (*Ezhuvas-Trichur*): Will Government be pleased to state—whether their attention has been drawn to an article by Mr. T. C. Gopalan published on